## **Industrial Storm Water Operator Review**

All answers are found in the Industrial Storm Water Operator Training Manual, and on the answer sheet on the last page of this review.

Questions		Answer Location
1.	The goal of the storm water program is to reduce pollution entering Michigan's waters by implementing controls designed to	Page 5
2	The 1987 amendments to the Clean Water Act redefined point source discharges to include urban and industrial runoff directed to surface water through	Page 5
3.	Pollution is the Best Solution.	Page 5
4.	Common sources of hydrocarbons are	Page 6
5.	Pesticides, herbicides, corroded metals, wood preservatives, paints and solvents are all examples of pollutants.	Page 6
6.	Oxygen depletion is a common cause of and	Page 6
7.	The presence of in surface water inhibits recreational uses such as swimming and boating, and can cause ear or intestinal problems as a result of contact.	Page 6
8.	The 1987 amendments to the Clean Water Act required the development of regulations for storm water discharges from, and	Page 8
9.	A person shall not discharge any waste or waste effluent into the waters of this state unless the person is	Page 8
10.	A Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Permit is required for any construction activity within of a water body or whenever or more of land is disturbed.	Page 9
11.	A facility with coverage under a general permit will be authorized to discharge upon receipt of a from MDEQ.	Page 11

	Any facility with	Page
	must have storm water permit coverage.	
13.	There are 2 types of storm water general permits in Michigan. The requirements of these permits are identical except that <i>Storm Water with Required Monitoring</i> also requires the permittee to	Page
14.	To apply for coverage under a storm water general permit you must submit a to MDEQ.	Page
15.	A facility must have permit coverage before	Page
16.	The certified storm water operator shall have supervision over the and of storm water controls at the facility.	Page
17.	When a facility acquires the services of a new certified operator, the new operator must	Page
18.	Inventory both the and of the facility to determine material and practices that may be sources of contamination to storm water runoff.	Page
19.	Preparing the is the first step in assessing the facility.	Page
20.	The inventory of potential sources should include areas where materials are,,,,,	Page
21.	are every-day types of activities that are relatively simple, fairly inexpensive and applicable to a wide variety of industries.	Page
22.	inspection, testing and cleaning of facility equipment and operational systems.	Page
23.	Promptly or any defective equipment found during inspections.	Page
24.	are designed to maintain a clean and orderly work environment, thus reducing the	Page 1

25.	Proper of materials can minimize the potential for the accidental release of materials that can cause pollution.	Page 19
26.	Keeping an of all materials present on-site will help to keep costs down, track material storage and handling, and identify which materials and activities pose the greatest risk to the environment.	Page 20
27.	and together are one of the largest sources of storm water pollution, and in most cases are avoidable.	Page 20
28.	In the event of a discharge to the environment you must report the release immediately to	Page 21
29.	is a critical component of the SWPPP. The better informed employees are about what is going on at the plant and what is expected of them, the more effective the SWPPP.	Page 21
30.	will be necessary when non- structural controls are not adequate to prevent contamination of storm water. These are physical features that control and prevent storm water pollution.	Page 22
31.	and are a good way to identify problem areas, hazardous materials, and suggest caution in certain areas.	Page 22
32.	Safeguards include, and	Page 22
33.	is the partial or total enclosure of an area to prevent rain and snow from coming into contact with potential pollutants.	Page 23
34.	Diversions are structures that are used to divert storm water away from high risk areas to or to	Page 23
35.	is a control measure often used in conjunction with other practices to reduce runoff velocity, divert runoff away from industrial activities, and encourage infiltration of storm water.	Page 25
36.	Containment dikes are that are designed to	Page 25

37.	of water trapped in the	Page 26
	containment area should always be conducted prior to discharge or	
	discharge or indicate that the storm water in the	
	containment area should not be discharged to surface waters or to the ground.	
38.	are used to contain small leaks from	Page 27
	valves, pipes and other areas where leaks and drips may occur.	
39.	Sumps are located and designed to collect spilled	Page 27
	materials in containment areas. The sump should be in the area of the containment area. It	
	should be made of with a	
40.	skim the oil off the surface of	Page 28
	the water. They are effective only if	- 1.61 - 1
<b>Δ</b> 1	Most non-storm water discharges, as defined in the	Page 31
11.	general permit, are not authorized under the general storm	1 450 51
	water permits, and are considered	
	These types of discharges must be addressed in one of the following ways:,	
	, or	
42.	Visual inspections, sewer map reviews, dye testing and	Page 31
	smoke testing are methods used to check for	
43.	Non-storm water discharges authorized under a general	Page 33
	storm water permit include:	
44.	Comprehensive inspections provide the basis for	Page 33
	determining the overall effectiveness of the SWPPP, and must be conducted at least	
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45.	Routine inspections should be performed frequently so that	Page 33
46.	and is an effective	Page 34
	way of tracking the progress of the pollution prevention efforts.	
47.	A review of the SWPPP must be conducted	Page 34
	The SWPPP must be revised or updated if	

48.	Under the general permit <i>Storm Water With Required Monitoring</i> , permittees are required to submit a plan for and to the District Supervisor within after the effective date of the certificate of coverage.	Page 35
49.	O. Certification statements that requirements of the general storm water permits have been completed must be provided to	
50.	The permittee shall report any spill or loss of any substance which occurs to the surface waters or ground waters of the state by	Page 40

## **Answers to Industrial Operator Storm Water Review**

- 1. prevent the contamination of storm water runoff
- 2. discrete conveyances such as a pipe, ditch, graded lot or constructed waterway.
- 3. Preventing
- 4. spills at oil storage and fueling facilities, automobiles and equipment, and improper disposal of waste oils
- 5. toxic
- 6. fish kills; odor problems
- 7. pathogens
- 8. industrial activities; construction activities; municipal separate storm sewer systems
- 9. in possession of a valid permit from the MDEQ.
- 10. 500 feet; 1 acre
- 11. certificate of coverage
- 12. storm water discharges associated with industrial activities
- 13. conduct a short-term characterization study of storm water discharges from certain areas.
- 14. Notice of Intent
- 15. discharging storm water from areas of industrial activity.
- 16. inspection; management
- 17. review and sign the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan
- 18. inside; outside
- 19. site map
- 20. stored; processed; transported; disposed
- 21. Non-structural controls
- 22. Preventive maintenance
- 23. replace; repair
- 24. Good housekeeping practices
- 25. storage
- 26. up-to-date inventory
- 27. Spills; leaks
- 28. MDEQ
- 29. Employee training
- 30. Structural controls
- 31. Signs; labels
- 32. safety posts; barriers; fences
- 33. Covering
- 34. prevent contaminants from mixing with storm water runoff; channel contaminated storm water runoff to a treatment facility or containment area.
- 35. Grading
- 36. earthen or concrete berms or retaining walls; hold spills
- 37. Visual inspections; visual sheens; unnatural turbidity
- 38. Drip pans
- 39. lowest lying; impenetrable materials; smooth surface
- 40. oil/water separators; regularly and properly maintained

- 41. illicit connections; covered under another NPDES permit; re-routed to a sanitary sewer system (with approval of the treatment plan operator); eliminated
- 42. non-storm water discharges or illicit connections
- 43. discharges from fire fighting activities, fire hydrant flushing, potable water sources, irrigation drainage, lawn watering, uncontaminated ground water and air conditioner condensate
- 44. every 6 months
- 45. corrections can be made quickly
- 46. Record keeping; reporting
- 47. annually; the information in the SWPPP is no longer accurate or current, the implemented controls are not adequate, or because of additions or modifications to procedures.
- 48. monitoring; analysis; 6 months
- 49. the MDEQ Surface Water Quality Division District Supervisor
- 50. immediately; calling the MDEQ's 24-hour Emergency Response telephone number.